OPINION 2341 (Case 3578)

Copromyza fenestralis Fallén, 1820 (currently Pteremis fenestralis; Insecta, Diptera, Sphaeroceridae): proposed conservation of usage by designation of a neotype

Abstract. The Commission has conserved the specific name of the widespread West Palaearctic saprophagous fly *Pteremis fenestralis* (Fallén, 1820) (SPHAEROCERIDAE) in its current usage. The exant syntypes have been set aside and a male specimen from Sweden, which corresponds to the current usage of the name, has been designated as neotype.

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Ruling

- (1) Under the plenary power the Commission has set aside all previous type fixations for *Copromyza fenestralis* Fallén, 1820, and designated as neotype a male from Sweden labelled 'SWEDEN: Huddinge, Gömmaren lake res., 59°15′15″N, 17°55′40″E, 58 m, J. Roháček leg.', '7.7.2011, peat-bog, sifting *Sphagnum*, moss and grass', 'NEOTYPUS &, *Copromyza fenestralis* Fallén, 1820, J. Roháček des. 2011' (red label) and '*Pteremis fenestralis* (Fallén), &, J. Roháček det. 2011' (deposited in the Fallén collection in the Swedish Museum of Natural History, Stockholm).
- (2) the name *fenestralis* Fallén, 1820, as published in the binomen *Copromyza fenestralis* and as defined by the neotype designated in (1) above, is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology.

History of Case 3578

An application to conserve the current usage of the specific name of the widespread West Palaearctic saprophagous fly *Pteremis fenestralis* (Fallén, 1820) (SPHAEROCERIDAE) in its current usage was received from J. Roháček (*Slezské Zemské Muzeum, Tyršova 1, 746 01 Opava, Czech Republic*) on 1 November 2011. After correspondence the case was published in BZN **69**: 101–105 (June 2012). The title, abstract and keywords of the case were published on the Commission's website. No comments were received on this case.

Decision of the Commission

On 1 September 2013 the members of the Commission were invited to vote on the proposals published in BZN 69: 102–103. At the close of the voting period on 1 December 2013 the votes were as follows:

Affirmative votes – 22: Alonso-Zarazaga, Ballerio, Bogutskaya, Bouchet, Brothers, Fautin, Grygier, Halliday, Harvey, Krell, Lamas, Minelli, Ng, Pape, Patterson, Rosenberg, Štys, van Tol, Winston, Yanega, Zhang and Zhou.

Negative votes – 2: Kojima and Lim. Kottelat, Kullander and Pyle were on leave of absence.

Voting AGAINST, Kojima said that the proposal should have included a statement justifying why current usage of *Copromyza fenestralis* Fallén, 1820 should be maintained, and whether the presumed syntypes actually comprised the entire syntype series. If the current usage of *Copromyza fenestralis* Fallén, 1820 was well established, and if other syntypes exist that conformed to current usage of *Copromyza fenestralis* Fallen, 1820, this proposal could have been avoided by designation of a lectotype. This proposal would only be necessary if a lectotype that did not conform to current usage of *Copromyza fenestralis* had been designated.

Original references

The following are the original references to the names placed on Official Lists and Indexes by the ruling given in the present Opinion:

Copromyza, fenestralis, Fallén, 1820, Heteromyzides Sveciae. Quarum descriptionem Venia Ampl. Facult. Philos. Lund. In Lyceo Carolino d. XXVI Maji MDCCCXX. Berlingianis, Lundae, p. 8.